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Title: AQUARIUM FILTRATION SYSTEM

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(X) Specification in 12 pages.

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(X) Declaration and Power of Attorney by Inventor in 1 page.

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| Application | Relationship | Parent App. No. | Filing Date | Status |
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| This Application | Non-Provisional of | 60/444,587 | 01/31/03 | Pending |
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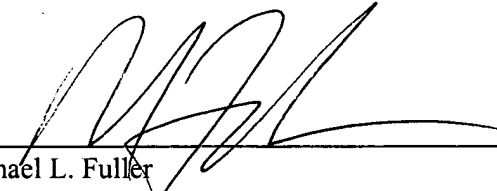
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| FEE CALCULATION | | | | |
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| FEE TYPE | | FEE CODE | CALCULATION | TOTAL |
| Basic Utility | | 2001 (\$385) | | \$385 |
| Non-English Spec. | | 1053 (\$130) | | \$ 0 |
| Recordation Fee | | 8021 (\$ 40) | 0 x 40 = | \$ 0 |
| Excess Claims > 20 | 16 - 20 = 0 | 2202 (\$ 9) | 0 x 9 = | \$ 0 |
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| Multiple Claim | | 2203 (\$145) | | \$ 0 |
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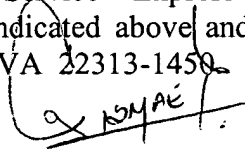
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